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7. (Secret - JGO) Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and discussed with him the format of the continuing resolutions used to provide appropriation authority pending final passage of appropriation legislation. Preston noted that the normal continuing resolution is only for 30 days but that the minority members had been agreeable on occasion in the past for resolutions of longer periods of time. There is no way of knowing yet what the considerations may be later in the month.

I also discussed with Preston the possibility of straight open appropriation for the Radios to carry them in the interim pending passage of the Case bill. It is Preston's feeling that this would please everyone but it would be subject to point of order on the floor since there is no underlying authorization for such appropriation. Preston noted in passing that Committee scheduling difficulties have been such that it would not have been possible to meet with the Director during the week. He will try to hold the line during the next two weeks to allow scheduling of the Director after 6 July. I thanked Preston for his consideration.

I briefed Mr. Preston on the following items: Soviet "J" vehicle; the Salyut mission; a surface-to-surface missile support facility; North Vietnamese General Tuyen Huan; and Chinese Mao-class submarines.

8. (Confidential - JMM) Talked to General Fred Haynes and provided him with some suggested points to make in support of a proposed additional 4-star Marine Corps billet which would accommodate the DDCI.

9. (Confidential - JMM) Phil Trimble, Consultant, Subcommittee on Arms Control, International Law and Organization of Senate Foreign Relations, called regarding a statement to be included in the record regarding the status of the Soviet ICBM program. I told him it was on the way and he gave no indication that, in view of this, a personal appearance by the Director would be necessary.

10. (Confidential - JMM) Mr. Edwin Cohen, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, called to say he was interested in the aluminum and bauxite situation in Jamaica in connection with some tax problems of concern to the Treasury Department, and wondered if we had someone who could give him some background on the subject. I said I would look into it and let him know.

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